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Inventor(s):	Dennis YORK		Confirmation No.:	9289					
Application No.:	10/651,586		Group Art Unit:	2182					
Filed:	08/29/2003		Examiner:	Knapp, J. R.					
Title:	PORTABLE ELECTRONIC INSTRUMENT WITH FIELD-REPLACEABLE BATTERY/INPUT/OUTPUT MODULE								
Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner of Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450									
TRANSMITTAL LETTER FOR RESPONSE/AMENDMENT									
Sir: 1. Transmitted herewith is an amendment for this application									
X Transmitted herewith is a response to an office action for the above identified patent application. (
2. Applicant is other than a small entity									
Extension of Term									
3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply.									
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If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.									

(b) [X] Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

Fee Calculation

4. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

Fee Items	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number of Claims Previously Paid For	Present Extra Claims	Fee Rate	Total
Total Claims	20	- 20 =	0	x \$50.00	\$0.00
Independent Claims	3	- 3 =	0	x \$200.00	\$0.00
Multiple Dependent Claim Fee (one or more, first added by this amendment) \$360.00					
Total Fees					

PAYMENT OF FEES

- 5. The full fee due in connection with this communication is provided as follows:
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 29, 2005, Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.

TRMB-1412 Examiner: Knapp, J.

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